GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:471
ANSWERED ON:27.04.2000
LEGISLATION FOR PREVENTING ALIENATION OF TRIBAL LANDS
A. VENKATESH NAIK

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the facts about alienation of tribal lands in various States;

(b) whether the Union Government have asked the State Governments to enact legislation for preventing alienation of the tribal lands;

(c) whether the Government have also directed the State governments to indicate the latestposition of alienation and restoration of tribal lands;

(d) if so, whether all the States have submitted their information;

(e) if not, the names of States which have not submitted the information indicating the reasons therefor; and

(f) the action taken in this regard ?

Answer

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUNDARLAL PATWA)

(a) to (f): A statement is laid on the table of the House.

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The Statewise information relating to alienation of tribal lands is contained in Annexure-A

The State Governments/UT Administrations have been advised at various fora including the Revenue Ministers` Conferences to enact legislations to prevent alienation of tribal lands and to regularly furnish Quarterly Progress Reports so as to enable the Government of India to monitor the position at the national level. So far (out of 25 states), 11 affected states, namely Andhra Pradesh, assam, Bihar, Gujarat, Himachal Pradesh, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Orissa, Rajasthan, and Tripura have been sending Quarterly Progress Reports, in prescribed proforma, to the Government of India.

The remaining 14 States namely Arunachal Pradesh, Goa, Haryana, J & K, Kerala, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Punjab, Sikkim, Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal havenot been sending information in this regard. Some of these States have negligible tribal population, while some others do not face acute problem of tribal land alienation.

ANNEXURE-A

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(As on December, 1999) (Area in acres)

Sl.No.	STATE	No.of cases filed in the Court	Area	Cases Disposed of by Court	Area	Cases Rejected	Area	Cases Deci- ded in favour of Tribals	Area	Cases which land was Restored to Tribals	Area	Cases in Courts	Area	Cases Pending in Courts	Area
1.	Andra Pradesh	65875	287776	58212	256452	31737	150227	26475	106225	23383	94312		7663		31324
2.	Assam	2042	4211	50	19	-	-	50	19	50	19		1992		4192
3.	Bihar	86291	104893	76518	95151	31884	49730	44634	45421	44634	45421		9773		9742

4. Gujarat 47926 140324 40400 120691 119 497 40281 120194 39503 118259 7526 19633

5. Himachal Pra. NEGLIGIBLE NEGLIGIBLE NEGLIGIBLE NEGLIGIBLE NEGLIGIBLE NEGLIGIBLE NEGLIGIBLE NEGLIGIBLE
6. Karnataka 42582 130373 38521 115021 16687 47159 21834 67862 21834 67862 4061 15352

7 Madhya Pra. 53806 158398 29596 97123 19596 97123 NR NR NR NR 24210 61275

8. Maharashtra 45634 NR 44624 99486 24681 NR 19943 99486 19943 99486 1010 NR

9. Orissa 1431 1712 594 816 152 204 442 612 212 455 837 896
10. Rajasthan 651 2300 240 774 53 187 187 587 187 587 411 1526
11. Tripura 28926 25295 28888 25274 20084 18366 8804 6908 8551 6732 38 21

Total 375164 855282 317643 810807 154993 363493 162650 447314 158297 433133 57521 143961

N.R : Not Reported